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Docket No.  
**P 0555.14107**

In Reply, Please Refer to: **Bradley R. Stager**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/789,268	February 26, 2004	Bena Miller	30615	3725	9398

Title: **RING SLICER WITH EASILY REMOVABLE KNIFE AND KNIFE ASSEMBLY**

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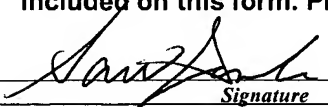



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Applicant(s): <b>Bradley R. Stager</b>					
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Invention: <b>RING SLICER WITH EASILY REMOVABLE KNIFE AND KNIFE ASSEMBLY</b>					
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